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PATENT APPLICATION  
09/844,847

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Pedro S. de Souza et al.  
Serial No.: 09/844,847  
Filing Date: April 27, 2001  
Examiner: Baoquoc N. To  
Art Unit: 2172  
Title: *Optimization Using A Multi-Dimensional Data Model*

**Mail Stop: Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**Request for Extension of Time**

Applicants hereby take an Extension of Time for responding to the Examiner's Office Action mailed November 17, 2005, for one (1) month from November 17, 2005 to March 17, 2005.

Applicants attach a check for \$120.00 to cover the cost of filing this Extension of Time. Although Applicants believe no other fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,  
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